

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Dong et al.

Application No.: 10/797,346

Filed: March 10, 2004

For: Transformation methods for  
Guayule Using Agrobacterium and  
Reduced Light to Slow Metabolism and  
Enhance Recovery

Customer No.: 25278

Confirmation No. 4296

Examiner: Wendy Haas

Technology Center/Art Unit: 1661

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.17(e)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Office of the Director, Technology Center 1600  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the dismissal of the petition filed under 37 CFR 1.137(b) on November 30, 2009, and advisory action of July 8, 2009 a request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is filed herein.

**Amendments** begin on p. 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on p. 7 of this paper.